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SUBJECT: MOBUTU AND AMIN MEET AT KISANGANI APRIL 13

1. UGANDAN PRESIDENT IDI AMIN DADA ACCOPANIED BY SIX MINISTERS ARRIVED KISANGANI ABOARD ZAIRIAN AIR FORCE C-130 APRIL 15 FOR 24-HOUR VISIT WHICH INCLUDED TWO WORKING SESSIONS WITH MOBUTU. NO COMMUNIQUE ISSUED, BUT ON LEAVING FOR KAMPALA APRIL 16 AMIN TOLD NEWSMEN HE AND MOBUTU HAD DISCUSSED "BILATERAL PROBLEMS AS WELL AS THE SITUATION IN AFRICA, THE ARAB COUNTRIES, AND THE REST OF THE WORLD". APROPOS OF SITUATION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, AMIN SAID THAT, SINCE ZAIRE AND UGANDA HAVE STRONG ARMIES, HIS COUNTRY FAVORS USE OF FORCE TO DRIVE THE ENEMY FROM ANCESTRAL LANDS. VOICE OF ZAIRE RADIO REPORTED PRESIDENTS ALSO DISCUSSED ECONOMIC COOPERATION. YET ANOTHER TOPIC DISCUSSED, ACCORDING TO DELEGATION MEMBERS, WAS QUESTION OF "REFUGEES."
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2. MINISTERS ACCOMPANYING AMIN TO DISANGANI WERE THOSE FOR INFORMATION (ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER), JUSTICE, COMMERCE, EDUCATION, TRANSPORT AND COMMERCE, AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR PRESIDENCY. ALSO PARTICIPATING WAS ZAIRIAN STATE COMMISSIONER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS BULA WHO, AT AMIN'S REQUEST, HAD JUST VISITED KAMPALA. THERE, ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL ZAIRIAN NEWSAGENCY REPORT, HE VIEWED FACILITIES FOR FORTHCOMING OAU SUMMIT AND RECEIVED ASSURANCE FROM AMIN THAT UGANDA WOULD NOT ALLOW ITS TERRITORY TO BE USED FOR SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY AGAINST ZAIRE.

3.COMMENT: WE ASSUME ONE OF AMIN'S MAIN PURPOSES IN VISITING MOBUTU WAS TO GET LATTER'S REPORT ON JUST CONCLUDED TRIPARTITE WITH KAUNDA AND NYERERE. HOWEVER, WE ARE INTRIGUED BY UNCONFIRMED REPORT THAT AMIN WILL PAY MOBUTU ANOTHER VISIT APRIL 19.
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